

Division of Fire & Building Safety

The IDHS Division of Fire and Building Safety is responsible for ensuring public safety through fire safety and building regulations. The division's efforts include:

- Enforcing Indiana's fire, building and life safety codes.
- Investigating fires.
- Responding to hazardous material or weapons of mass destruction events.
- Maintaining an effective emergency medical services system.



Agency Support Services

IDHS maintains an Agency Support Services office to provide accurate, timely and complete fiscal, legal and human resource support to the divisions within IDHS. The Agency Support Services efforts include:

- Processing all federal grant reports for applicable agencies.
- Assisting in the development of rules to implement IDHS programs and issuance of orders to enforce IDHS regulatory programs.
- Preparing, reviewing, and negotiating contracts and other legal documents for IDHS.



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In 2005, the State of Indiana consolidated all of its emergency management and homeland security efforts into one department by creating the Indiana Department of Homeland Security (IDHS).

The four divisions of IDHS are Planning, Training, Emergency Response and Fire & Building Safety. These divisions intertwine to accomplish the central mission of IDHS: safeguarding the lives and property of the citizens of Indiana.



Division of Planning

The IDHS Division of Planning is responsible for coordinating Indiana's homeland security planning and risk assessments at tactical, operational, and strategic levels. The division's efforts include:

- Developing plans for the entire state using an all-hazards approach.
- Coordinating and managing federal homeland security grants based on risk assessments determining Indiana's security needs.
- Developing, managing and maintaining all IDHS data management requirements and information technology support.



Division of Training

The IDHS Division of Training is responsible for comprehensive training and certification for emergency services and first responder personnel throughout Indiana. The division's efforts include:

- Develop a comprehensive training and exercise support program to execute and validate plans.
- Operating the Mary Hulman George Search and Rescue Training Center and developing an Indiana fire services training center.

- Establishing and maintaining training databases, testing processes and certifications for public safety personnel.

The Division of Training also includes the IDHS Public Information and Outreach Office.



Division of Emergency Response

The IDHS Division of Emergency Response is responsible for maintaining Indiana's emergency response and recovery capabilities for any event, whether natural or intentional. The division's efforts include:

- Maintaining a 24-hour state emergency operations center to serve as the focal point for direction and control of state response to disasters and emergencies.
- Coordinating the provision of available state and federal emergency and disaster recovery programs for individuals, families and local political subdivisions.
- Coordinating the development of statewide mitigation strategies and plans.

